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1. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2002-354064, dated December 6, 2002, together with Abstract of corresponding European Patent Publication No. EP 1 392 032 A1, dated February 25, 2004;
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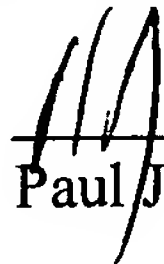
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3. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2002-84339, dated March 22, 2002, corresponding to U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0004840 A1, to Harumoto et al., dated January 10, 2002;
4. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 11-275171, dated October 8, 1999;
5. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2000-287192, dated October 13, 2000, together with Abstract of corresponding European Patent Application Publication No. EP 1 041 823 A2, dated October 4, 2000;
6. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 11-187367, dated July 9, 1999;
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8. Japanese Patent KOKAI Publication No. 2001-333401, dated November 30, 2001; and
9. Japanese Patent KOKAI Publication No. 2002-165148, dated June 7, 2002, corresponding to U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0068482 A1, to Yoshida et al., dated April 8, 2004.

Reference numbers 1-7 were cited in the International Search Report dated November 16, 2004 of a corresponding International PCT Application. Applicants are submitting copies of the above-cited foreign references, together with a copy of the Search Report. In accordance with the waiver of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2)(i) in effect as of June 30, 2003, applicants are not required to submit copies of the above-cited U.S. Patent references. The relevance of reference numbers 1-7 has been described in the Search Report. The relevance of the reference numbers 8 and 9 has been described in the specification.

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